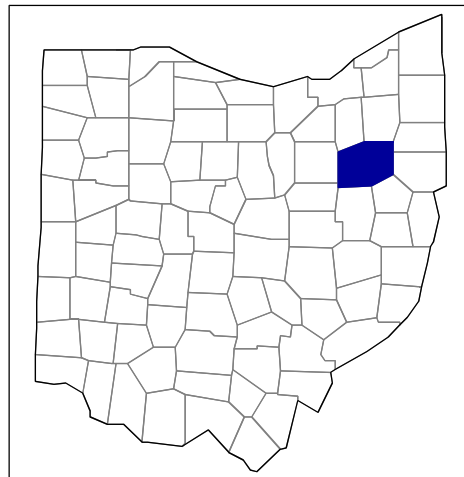




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Number of farms

1,337 farms in 2002, 1,289 farms in 1997, up 4 percent.

Land in farms

145,163 acres in 2002, 144,690 acres in 1997, up slightly.

Average size of farm

109 acres in 2002, 112 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$69,046,000 in 2002, \$73,231,000 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$28,382,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$40,664,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

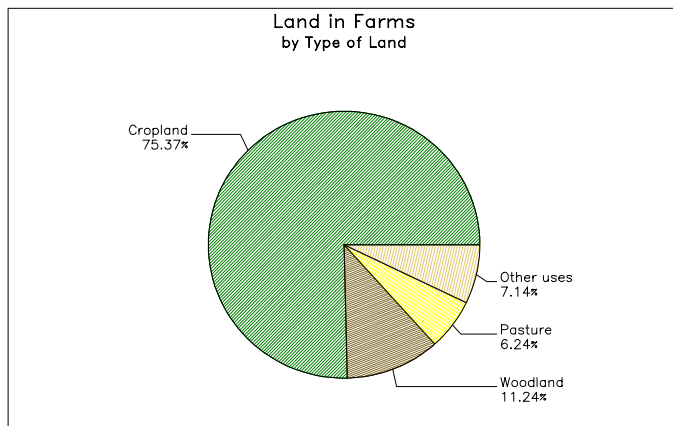
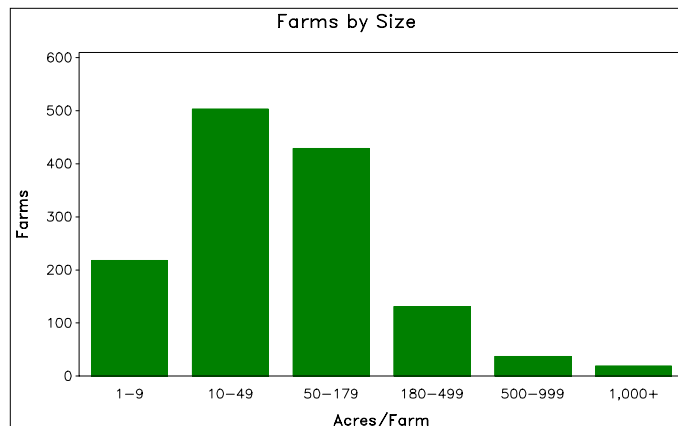
\$51,643 in 2002, \$56,812 in 1997, down 9 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,222,000 in 2002, \$960,000 in 1997, up 131 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,449 in 2002, \$3,736 in 1997, up 126 percent.



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Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	69,046	16	88	819	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	28,382	41	88	904	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	40,664	10	88	709	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,684	54	88	1,050	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	7,674	3	88	216	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	741	16	88	423	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	8,791	15	87	291	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	557	4	81	96	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,936	11	88	668	3,046
Poultry and eggs	12,510	10	88	400	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	20,297	6	87	221	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,159	48	88	837	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	96	39	88	834	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	377	32	88	569	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,016,093	2	85	285	2,599
Cattle and calves	25,258	9	88	1,230	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	24,474	18	88	627	2,983
Hogs and pigs	6,461	49	88	837	2,926
Horses and ponies	2,892	7	88	230	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	25,198	55	88	764	2,076
Corn for grain	24,926	46	88	730	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	24,645	14	88	907	3,059
Corn for silage	8,930	6	87	177	2,307
All Wheat for grain	7,208	39	88	768	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	364	Farming	711
\$1,000 to \$2,499	177	Other	626
\$2,500 to \$4,999	163		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	152	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	150	Male	1,175
\$20,000 to \$24,999	34	Female	162
\$25,000 to \$39,999	65		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	71		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	82	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	30	White	1,930
\$500,000 or more	24	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	58,159	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	43,337	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	17,302	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	12,892	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	14

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.